

The LECs operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. This wholesale provisioning stimulates competition and benefits consumers. Chairman Powell: Please do not sell out to BIG BUSINESS, at the expense of competition and the small businesses of our country.

While this is a solicited remark, I have been following this issue. I absolutely support what was said above, and believe to rule otherwise would be inappropriate and a true attempt to create a governmently controlled entity that free enterprise would never stand a chance.